

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

Attorney Docket No.: P-6390-US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER****AUG 21 2006**

Applicant(s): GINZBURG, Boris et al. Examiner: SAMS, MATTHEW C
Serial No.: 10/810,801 Group Art Unit: 2617
Filed: March 29, 2004
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS TO PROVIDE HIDDEN NODE
PROTECTION

RESPONSE / AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2006 issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Application. A response to the May 19, 2006 Office Action is due August 19, 2006. Since August 19, 2006 falls out on a weekend, a response is due the next business day, i.e. August 21, 2006. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER
AUG 21 2006

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

COVER PAGE LISTING DOCUMENTS BEING TRANSMITTED VIA FACSIMILE

13 Pages Via Facsimile: 571-273-8300
Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Certificate of Transmission	
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (fax no. 571-273-8300) on August 21, 2006.	
Caleb Pollack	Reg. No. 37,912

Regarding the following Application:

Applicant(s): GINZBURG, Boris et al. Examiner: SAMS, Matthew C.

Serial No.: 10/810,801 Group Art Unit: 2617

Filed: March 29, 2004 Attorney Docket No.: P-6390-US

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS TO PROVIDE HIDDEN NODE PROTECTION

Please find:

- | | |
|--|--|
| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Provisional Cover Sheet | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Notice to File Missing Parts |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Utility Patent Application Transmittal | 10. <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Notice of Incomplete Reply |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> RCE Transmittal Sheet | 11. <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Correction of Filing Receipt |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Sheet | 12. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement including:
- Form PTO/SB/08 and references |
| 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Patent Application Under 35 USC 111(a) | 13. <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Amendment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Provisional Patent Application Under 35 USC 111(b) | 14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Response to Office Action dated May 19, 2006 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transmittal Sheet for Entering National Phase Containing: | 15. <input type="checkbox"/> Petition for a One Month(s) Extension of Time |
| ___ Pages of Specification | 16. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Appeal <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Brief |
| ___ Pages of Claims | 17. <input type="checkbox"/> Issue Fee Transmittal <input type="checkbox"/> Publication Fee |
| ___ Page of Abstract | 18. <input type="checkbox"/> Submission of Formal Drawings: Two sets of
___ Sheets containing Figs. ___ |
| ___ Pages of Formal Drawings | 19. <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Priority Doc. |
| 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Signed Declaration & Power of Attorney | 20. <input type="checkbox"/> Claim for Convention Priority |
| 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Correction of Recordation of Assign. and: | 21. <input type="checkbox"/> Revocation and Power of Attorney, including:
- Recordation Cover Sheet
- Copy of Notice of Recordation of Assign.
- Copy of Assignment |
| 8. <input type="checkbox"/> Recordation of Assign. Cover Sheet & Signed Assign. | 22. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |